

**PATENT APPLICATION**  
**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

In re application of

Docket No: Q53854

Yukio NAKAJIMA

Appln. No.: 09/269,972

Group Art Unit: 2123

Confirmation No.: 1844

Examiner: Dwin McTaggart Craig

Filed: April 8, 1999

For: **TIRE DESIGN METHOD, OPTIMIZATION ANALYZING APPARATUS, AND  
STORAGE MEDIUM HAVING STORED OPTIMIZATION ANALYZING PROGRAM**

**PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.136**

Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.136, Applicant hereby petitions for an extension of time of three months, extending the time for responding to the Office Action of April 6, 2007 to October 6, 2007. This petition is timely filed as October 6-8, 2007 are a Saturday, Sunday and Federal Holiday, respectively.

The statutory fee of \$1050.00 is being paid via the USPTO Electronic Filing System (EFS). The USPTO is directed and authorized to charge all required fees, except for the Issue Fee and the Publication Fee, to Deposit Account No. 19-4880. Please also credit any overpayments to said Deposit Account.

Respectfully submitted,

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